

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the last paragraph [0010] on page 3 which continues through page 4 with the following amended paragraph:

[0010] There will be now described the flow of operation through which the image receiver 2720 controls the cameras 2701 connected to the plurality of image transmitters 2710. FIG. 28 shows an example camera control panel for controlling the cameras 2701 and example images captured thereby to be displayed on the display 2705. A display screen 2800 comprises image display areas 2801, 2802 and 2803 for displaying images captured by the plurality of cameras 2701; a camera control panel display area 2810; and a control camera selection display area 2830. The camera control panel display area 2810 comprises an UP button 2811, a DOWN button 2812, a LEFT button 2813, and a RIGHT button 2814 for panning the camera 2701 vertically or horizontally; an IN button 2817 and an OUT button 2818 for causing the camera 2701 to zoom in and out; and a focusing button 2819 and defocusing button 2820. The control camera selection button 2830 comprises camera selection buttons 2831, 2832 and 2833.

Please replace the last paragraph [0119] on pages 35-36 with the following amended paragraph:

[0119] The image receiver 120 shown in FIG. 6 corresponds to the image receiver 120 of the first embodiment additionally provided with an employable-camera survey section 601. The employable-camera survey section 601 eliminates a camera incapable of shooting the designated location from candidates considered by the camera-to-be-operated determination section 125. The camera-to-be-operated determination section 125 selects a camera on the basis of a determination made by the employable-camera survey section 601 as to whether or not the camera can shoot the designated location, as well as on the basis of the angle between the current shooting direction of the camera and the designated location. In

Chel other respects, the system is identical in configuration with that of the first embodiment shown in FIG. 1.

Please replace the first full paragraph on page 59 [0164] with the following amended paragraph:

AB [0164] The zoom-shift time calculation section 1702 accepts a load zoom range from an operator (1903) and calculates the time required for the camera to zoom in or out into the designated range from the current shooting range (1904). Provided that changing a shooting range by one unit length requires one second, the camera 101 takes three seconds to zoom into the designated range. Required focus-shift time is calculated for each camera (1905).

Please replace the first full paragraph [0177] on page 64 with the following amended paragraph:

AM [0177] The image size conversion section 210 counts the number of cameras (step 230[[2]]3) and scales down images 2202, 2203, and 2204 captured by the cameras 102, 103, and 104 which are not to be operated (step 2304). The scaling factor may be determined in advance or may be designated by the operator. The image size conversion section 2101 determines the locations of the thus-enlarged/reduced images 2201, 2202, 2203, and 2204 on the screen. The image data playback section 122 receives from the image size conversation section 2102 information about the locations at which the images are to be displayed, and the displays the images (step 2305). The display positions of the images may be determined in advance or designated by the operator.

Please replace the first full paragraph [0185] on page 67 with the following amended paragraph:

AB [0185] FIG. 25 shows an example screen of processing in which cameras are arranged in descending sequence of panning speed instead of only the camera that can be panned toward the designated location most quickly, and one or more other cameras are simultaneously controlled in given sequence. An image 203 depicts a zoomed-image of the designated location (2501), and an image 204 depicts a zoomed-out image captured from the designated direction.